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November 5, 2010

Dear County Emergency Manager:

The South Dakota Office of Homeland Security is extending an invitation for applications for reallocated Public Safety Interoperability Communication (PSIC) funds.

PSIC funds may only be used to purchase communication equipment that is interoperable; equipment that can operate in a P-25 open standard, trunked radio system in South Dakota. Allowable expenses include upgrading and purchasing new radios for first responder and public safety stakeholders at the local, county, tribal, and state levels of government and additional non-governmental stakeholders.

There is a required 20% cash match. Homeland Security can provide 80% of the cost of the equipment and the local agency must provide 20%.

An application form, provided by the Office of Homeland Security, is required to apply for a competitive grant. All applications must be received by <u>December 31, 2010.</u> Awards will be determined by the Office of Homeland Security in January 2011.

Applications may be submitted electronically to the South Dakota Office of Homeland Security at <a href="mailto:dpshomelandsecurity@state.sd.us">dpshomelandsecurity@state.sd.us</a> or can be mailed to the Department of Public Safety, Office of Homeland Security, 118 W. Capitol Avenue, Pierre, South Dakota, 57501. Applications received after 5:00 pm (central) on December 31, 2010 or incomplete applications will not be accepted.

PSIC awards are provided on a reimbursement basis. To receive reimbursement, you must submit the invoice with a record of payment along with a Payment Request Form, provided by the Office of Homeland Security. All PSIC award expenses must be incurred by June 30, 2011 and payment requests with required documentation must be received by no later than August 15, 2011.

PSIC awards are subject to all applicable federal regulations.

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If you have questions regarding this grant, please contact the Office of Homeland Security by phone at 605 773-3450 or email June Snyder at <a href="mailto:June.Snyder@state.sd.us">June.Snyder@state.sd.us</a>.

Sincerely,

James M. Carpenter, Director SD Office of Homeland Security

Attachment (Application)